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**Form for Applying for a Summary Licence Review**

**Application for the review of a premises licence under section 53A of the Licensing Act 2003**

(premises associated with serious crime, serious disorder or both)

**PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS FIRST**

Before completing this form please read the guidance notes at the end of the form. If you are completing the form by hand please write legibly in block capitals. In all cases ensure that your answers are inside the boxes and written in black ink.

**Use additional sheets if necessary.**

**Insert name and address of relevant licensing authority and its reference number:**

**Name:** London Borough of Merton - Licensing Team

**Address:**

14<sup>th</sup> Floor, Merton Civic Centre, London Road

**Post town:** Morden

**Post code:** SM4 5DX

**Ref. No.:**

I **PC John McGann 4509SW**

on behalf of the chief officer of police for the Metropolitan Police area apply for the review of a premises licence under section 53A of the Licensing Act 2003.

**1. Premises details**

**Postal address of premises or club premises, or if none, ordnance survey map reference or description:**

The Vale, The Vale At Streatham, 1A Lilian Road, Streatham

**Post town:** London

**Post code:** SW16 5HN  
(if known)

**2. Premises licence details**

**Name of premises licence holder or club holding club premises certificate (if known):**

North & South Leisure Limited, 46 Forest Drive, Keston, Kent, BR2 6EF

**Number of premises licence or club premises certificate (if known):**

LN/000000821

**3. Certificate under section 53A(1)(b) of the Licensing Act 2003 (Please read guidance note 1)**

I confirm that a certificate has been given by a senior member of the police force for the police area above that in his opinion the above premises are associated with serious crime or serious disorder or both, and the certificate accompanies this application.

Please tick the box to confirm:



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**4. Details of association of the above premises with serious crime, serious disorder or both**

(Please read guidance note 2)

On Sunday 13/03/2022 at 00:40 hours police attended The Vale PH following reports of a large disturbance outside the pub which then continued down LILIAN ROAD, SW16.

When police arrived on scene there was clear signs that a disturbance had taken place with smashed glass on the pavement, blood on the ground and blood smeared on a window of the pub. Police were let into the pub by a very intoxicated female who stated she was looking after the pub. She was very uncooperative and could give no clear account of what had taken place. In fact, there is no record of any call to police being made from the pub.

Police found more evidence that there had also been a disturbance inside the pub with broken chairs and glass strewn about the floor of the pub and there was also blood droplets on the floor. Fragments of a pool cue were also found in the roadway nearby. Police were then approached by a male outside the pub who had returned to look for his phone. His face was covered in blood and had a large chunk of flesh hanging off the side of his left eyebrow the size of a 50p piece. He also had other lacerations to his face and a bloodied nose. The male stated that he had been assaulted inside the pub with glass receptacles and that the assault continued outside in the street. A neighbour had witnessed this same male discard a knife into a nearby garden which was located by police and the male was arrested for possession of an offensive weapon before being taken to hospital. The male has refused to cooperate with any police investigation as he feared this would caused reprisals as the suspects lived locally. This male had injuries consistent with GBH/Wounding contrary to Sec 18 of the Offences Against the Person Act 1861.

Police have been provided with videos from residents that showed the disorder continued down LILIAN ROAD, SW16 where two males can be clearly seen to have implements in their hands where one of the males attacks another striking him about the head and body. The implements are suspected to be linked to the pool cue fragments as described above.

This is the second serious assault at the pub since the easing of COVID restrictions in December 2021. On Friday 10/12/2021 at 21:30 hours police attended The Vale PH following reports of a fight. Officers were met by [REDACTED] who stated he had been assaulted. He had asked a group of males to stop arm wrestling but they ignored him. When he further requested them to stop one of the males punched him in the face causing him to fall with his face hitting the side of the bar. The caused significant swelling to his face, a black eye and a split lip. [REDACTED] was taken to hospital and received stitches to his lip. He did not support any police investigation for fear that the suspect may return to the pub and attack him.

Police have spoken with local residents and suspect that more incidents happen at this pub that goes unreported giving police the view that this premises is concerned with serious crime and disorder and that the premises licence should be suspended pending a fast track review.

**Signature of applicant**

<b>Signature:</b>	[REDACTED]	<b>Date:</b>	16/03/2022
<b>Capacity:</b>	Police Licensing Officer		

**Contact details for matters concerning this application**

<b>Surname:</b>	McGann	<b>First Names:</b>	John
<b>Address:</b>	Twickenham Police Station, 41 London Road		
<b>Post town:</b>	Twickenham	<b>Post code:</b>	TW1 3SY
<b>Tel. No.:</b>	[REDACTED]	<b>Email:</b>	[REDACTED]

**Notes for guidance**

## PROTECTIVE MARKING

1. A certificate of the kind mentioned in the form must accompany the application in order for it to be valid under the terms of the Licensing Act 2003. The certificate must explicitly state the senior officer's opinion that the premises in question are associated with serious crime, serious disorder or both. Serious crime is defined by reference to section 81 of the Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000. In summary, it means:
  - conduct that amounts to one or more criminal offences for which a person who has attained the age of eighteen and has no previous convictions could reasonably be expected to be sentenced to imprisonment for a term of three years or more; or
  - conduct that amounts to one or more criminal offences and involves the use of violence, results in substantial financial gain or is conduct by a large number of persons in pursuit of a common purpose.Serious disorder is not defined in legislation, and so bears its ordinary English meaning.
2. Briefly describe the circumstances giving rise to the opinion that the above premises are associated with serious crime, serious disorder, or both.

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## Certificate under Section 53A(1)(b) of the Licensing Act 2003

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I hereby certify that in my opinion the premises described below are associated with:  
both serious crime and serious disorder

**Premises** (Include business name and address and any other relevant identifying details):

**Postal address of premises or club premises, or if none, ordnance survey map reference or description:**

The Vale, The Vale At Streatham, 1A Lilian Road, Streatham

**Post town:**

London

**Post code:**  
(if known)

SW16 5HN

**Premises licence number (if known):**

LN/000000821

**Name of premises supervisor (if known):**

Mr. Richard Grady

**I am a Superintendent \* in the Metropolitan Police Service.**

\*Insert rank of officer giving the certificate, which must be superintendent or above.

**I am giving this certificate because I am of the opinion that other procedures under the Licensing Act are inappropriate in this case because:**

(Give a brief description of why other procedures such as a standard review process are thought to be inappropriate, e.g. the degree of seriousness of the crime and/or disorder, the past history of compliance in relation to the premises concerned)

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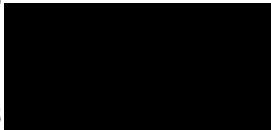
I certify that the premises known as THE Vale, The Vale at Streatham, 1A Lilian Road, Streatham, LONDON, SW16 5HN is associated with serious crime and disorder. The evidence in this matter has been provided by PC John McGann of the South West BCU Police Licensing Team, the full details of which are contained in the attached application for a summary review.

The most recent crime has resulted in the victim suffering a significant head injury following an assault both inside and outside the premises. The suspects for this offence had all left the premises prior to police arrival and have not been identified. A knife was also located which is suspected to have been in possession of one of the males involved. There is also video evidence with males attacking each other in the street near the pub with pool cues. I believe that if the premises were to continue to operate the risk of further crime and disorder is significantly heightened and I don't believe that the premises under its current management is in a position to prevent this risk.

I have considered the use of the standard review procedure under the Licensing Act 2003 but feel that this is inappropriate due to the seriousness of the most recent offence and management demonstrating that they are unable to prevent these incidents from happening and also refusing to assist police when they attended. As such, the Metropolitan Police has been left with no other option than to seek a summary review with interim steps of immediate suspension of the premises licence.

**Signature**

**Signature:**



**Date:**

16.03.22

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